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In re Application of: §
Kuorong Chiang § Group Art No. 2171
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Serial No.: 09/864,824 §
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Filed: May 24, 2001 § Examiner: Leslie Wong
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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INCLUSION §
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JOINS IN RELATIONAL DATABASES § Attorney Docket No.: 9744

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 TO
FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED MAY 12, 2004**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 12, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action.

As the three-month shortened statutory period for reply ended August 12, 2004, this Response is considered timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims, are reflected in the “Listing of Claims” which begins on page 3 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this Response.